

Special Library Section
 Report to the Kentucky Library Association Board
 November 12, 2011
 Louisville, KY

Special Library Section Business Meeting

The Fall Business Meeting was held during the KLA/KSMA Fall Conference on Thursday, September 29 at 8:00 AM. In addition to officer and committee reports, the following business was discussed:

- **Fall Conference:** The Section's sponsored speaker was Julie Albert, director of the library at the *Columbus Dispatch*. Her presentation was entitled "News Libraries Under Siege: A Success Story."
- **New business:** The Section has a new Facebook page. Members were encouraged to "Like" the page in order to increase affinity and potentially push SLS posts higher in subscribers' Facebook news feeds.
- **Election of Officers:** The following officers were elected for the 2011-2012 term:
 Chair-Elect: Melissa Brooks, Morehead State University
 Secretary: Constance Ard, The Answer Maven
 Treasurer: Alex Grigg, Lexmark
- **Joint Spring Conference:**
 SLS Chair Lesley Jackson is chair of the 2012 Joint Spring Conference Planning Committee and new Chair-Elect Melissa Brooks is also a member of the planning committee. The JSC, the theme of which is "Becoming the Library They Need: Understanding User Expectations," will take place at Lake Cumberland State Park on April 11-13, 2012. The deadline to submit proposals was October 15th and was extended for poster session proposals until October 24th. The response for both formats was impressive. Notifications have been sent out to all who submitted proposals and the conference program is coming together nicely.
- **Awards:** SLS Awards Chair Alex Grigg announced that Abby Thorne would receive the 2011 Special Librarian of the Year award.

2011-2012 Committees:

- The Executive Board is in the process of securing volunteers to serve on and chair Section committees with representation on corresponding KLA committees. An online form was made available and announced on the SLS listserv, but as of November 4th, response has been minimal.

Respectfully submitted,

Lesley Jackson, Chair
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